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Parker Residence
38906 Mt. Gilead Road
Leesburg, VA 20175

HDRC
Statement of Justification

Introduction:

The building began as a log cabin dating to 1789. The log cabin portion has subsequently be surrounded by additions and renovations with the latest being approximately 10 years ago. The project consists of an approximate 18 foot by 17.5 foot two story addition to the eastern side of the building. The existing structure is a wood frame with wood siding and a standing seam metal roof. The doors and windows are nondescript and are irregular in shape and size. Most of the windows are double hung, true divided light and have storm panels. The foundation is predominately stone as are the chimneys.

Architectural Features:

The addition is located on the east side of the building facing Mt. Gilead Road. The intent is to repeat the existing building elements to keep the existing historical architectural context. The roof and chimney height are lowered to allow the original house to remain dominant and keep the addition as subservient.

Roof: The roof of the addition will match to the existing roof pitch and will have the same standing seam metal roofing system. It will be black. The front elevation roof edge is interrupted to reduce the linear aspect of the roof line. The pitch of this section will match the front porch roof to repeat the design element.

Wood Trim: The wood trim for the windows and French door at the existing structure will match the existing. The fascia trim and soffit trim will match the existing. The corners will have 1x4 wood trim to match the existing corners. Water table trim will be matched.

Siding: The existing siding will be matched at the addition in both size, texture and paint color with the exception being the length of the siding which will be as currently manufactured.

Foundation & Chimney: The existing stone foundation wall and chimney will be matched. The east and a portion of the north wall will have the stone to the bottom of the window to assist with the grading of the hill from the street to around the structure.

Windows and Doors: Most of the windows will be double hung with simulated divided panes on the exterior. There is a round window to match the existing round windows. This is in keeping with the predominant style of the windows. The French doors will also be simulated divided panes.

Conclusion:

The home addition as designed fits the character of the historic district. The scale and contextual design elements give the only possible solution to the Owner's program.

List of Primary Building Elements and Materials

Foundation: Stone shall match existing foundation wall

Siding: Wood siding shall match existing size and color (longer lengths).

Exterior Trim: Wood trim shall match existing size and color.

Roofing: Standing seam metal roofing shall match existing roofing.

Stone: Field stone shall match existing as identified on the existing photos.

Doors and Windows: Windows and doors shall match the existing color, patterns and material.

Building Form: The main roof pitches shall match existing roof pitch.

Eastern Elevation: The grade at this elevation is elevated to allow proper drainage around the addition as the grade slopes from Mt. Gilead Road to the building.